

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (cancelled)
2. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein each of the side panels is inflatable individually.
3. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the plurality of inflatable side panels is configured to be inflatable from a single valve.
4. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the base platform is integral to the side panels.
5. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the base platform is inflatable.
6. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the base platform comprises a plurality of elongated ribs.
7. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the base platform is formed of a woven mesh.
8. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein each of the side panels has a lower end and an upper end, the lower end having a width greater than the upper end.

9. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 further comprising a pump to inflate the side panels.

10. (previously presented) The structure of claim 27 wherein the panels are configured to be inflated with air.

11. (original) A structure comprising:
a base platform configured to support a child;
a plurality of inflatable side panels extending vertically from and surrounding the base platform, the base platform and side panels defining an enclosure for the child; and
a protective member sealing the inner, inflatable panels from the child.

12. (original) The structure of claim 11, wherein the protective member is formed of woven mesh.

13. (previously presented) The structure of claim 12, wherein the woven mesh is bonded to at least one of the plurality of inflatable side panels.

14. (previously presented) The structure of claim 13, wherein the woven mesh is heat-sealed to at least one of the plurality of inflatable side panels.

15. (previously presented) The structure of claim 12, wherein the woven mesh is stitched to at least one of the plurality of inflatable side panels.

16. (previously presented) The structure of claim 15 further comprising binding tape positioned between the woven mesh and at least one of the plurality of inflatable side panels.

17. (previously presented) The structure of claim 16 further comprising stitching between the binding tape and the woven mesh and between the binding tape and at least one of the plurality of inflatable side panels.

18. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein each of the side panels is inflatable individually.

19. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the plurality of inflatable side panels is configured to be inflatable from a single valve.

20. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the base platform is integral to the side panels.

21. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the base platform is inflatable.

22. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the base platform comprises a plurality of elongated ribs.

23. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the base platform is formed of a woven mesh.

24. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein each of the side panels has a lower end and an upper end, the lower end having a width greater than the upper end.

25. (original) The structure of claim 11 further comprising a pump to inflate the side panels.

26. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein the panels are configured to be inflated with air.

27. (original) The structure of claim 11 further comprising an inflatable member attached to an outer periphery of the base platform, the inflatable member configured to support the side panels of the structure.

28. (original) The structure of claim 11 wherein at least one of the inflatable side panels further comprises a region formed of woven mesh.

29. (original) The structure of claim 28 wherein each region formed of woven mesh extends to the base panel.

30. (original) An inflatable crib comprising:
a base platform configured to support a child;
a plurality of inflatable side panels extending vertically from and surrounding the base platform, the base platform and side panels defining an enclosure for the child; and
a protective member for obstructing the child's access to the inflatable panels of the crib, the protective member sealing the inner, inflatable panels from the child, thereby preventing the child from squirming or rolling into corner regions of the crib where the risk of suffocation is higher should the side panels deflate.

31. (new) The structure of claim 11, wherein the protective member is positioned at a corner region of the structure.

32. (new) The inflatable crib of claim 30, wherein the protective member is positioned at a corner region of the inflatable crib, thereby preventing the child from squirming or rolling into the corner region where the risk of suffocation is higher should the side panels deflate.

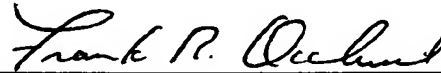
does not mean that the applicant concedes any of the Examiner's positions with respect to that claim or other claims.

The Examiner crossed-out the three patents listed on the PTO 1449 form submitted with their Information Disclosure Statement mailed December 28, 2005 as being duplicates. Applicant recognizes that U.S. 4,739,527 (Kohus et al.) was cited by the Examiner in rejecting the claims in the Examiner's office action dated October 21, 2005. However, the Examiner did not list that patent on the PTO-Form 892 accompanying the office action. Applicant is concerned that the U.S. 4,739,527 patent will not appear on the front face of the any patent that might issue from this application. Thus, Applicant requests that the Examiner indicate that the U.S. 4,739,527 patent has been considered and have it listed on a PTO-Form 892.

No fee is believed to be due. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket Number 10762-006001.

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